options will be explored for outsourcing of all routine services such as security, engineering and maintenance, routine diagnostics and laboratory services, cleaning, Kitchen, Laundry etc.

Synthetic milk in the market

80. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:
SHRI AMAR SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that a huge quantity of synthetic milk is produced in Uttar Pradesh State and sold in the markets especially in areas like Tilak Nagar, Vishnu Garden, Tri Nagar and Shahdara;

(b) if so, whether Government has conducted any enquiry into the supply of such milk which is harmful for the people and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any sample of milk from the vendors have been taken and if so, the details thereof during the last one year; and

(d) how many vendors have since been booked under Food Adulteration Act?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) The Government of NCT of Delhi has informed that no case of sale of synthetic milk in Delhi has been reported or come to the notice of the State Government. No case of synthetic milk has been detected in any area including areas of Tilak Nagar, Vishnu Garden, Tri Nagar and Sahadara.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) During the last one year *i.e.* 1.10.2007 to 30.9.2008, 103 samples of milk were taken but no case of synthetic milk has been detected.

(d) Does not arise.

Malaria from Goa

81. SHRI N.K. SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that since December, 2006, Europe has reported 19 Malaria cases, imported largely from Goa;

(b) whether it is also a fact that during 2006-07 winter season, eight cases of P. falciparum were reported in the European Network on Imported Infectious Diseases Surveillance from among tourists returning from Goa;

(c) whether until recently, Goa was considered a place with very high risk of Malaria from foreign tourists;

(d) whether Government has sounded an alert to public health authorities in Goa; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. In the Euro surveillance Vol. 13, Issue 1-3, Jan-Mar 2008, 19 Malaria cases have been reported since 2006 from India, largely from Goa. Further, during 2006-07, eight *P falciparum* cases were reported from among tourists returning from Goa to the European Network on Imported Infectious Diseases Surveillance.

(c) Goa is endemic State for malaria. The recent upsurge in malaria incidence is mainly due to large number of construction activities which are being carried out for tourism. This is giving rise to mosquitogenic conditions and labourers engaged in such sites are mainly from high malaria endemic States.

(d) and (e) Yes, Sir. Government of India has issued advisories to public health authorities in Goa and the situation of malaria is monitored continuously and the State Government is also taking control measures, which include intensive surveillance, screening of migratory labourers, complete treatment of malaria positive cases, intensive larviciding in and around construction sites and mobilization of community as well as builders for taking up control measures. The State has also introduced bye-laws under which all labour population are screened for malaria on their arrival and provided treatment.

Resurfacing of polio cases in the country

†82. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that five States have come into the grip of poliomyelitis virus type-I;

(b) if so, the number of cases of poliomyelitis virus type-I which have come to light in these States, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the reasons for re-occurance of incidents of poliomyelitis virus type-I in these States have been reviewed; and

(d) if so, the effective measures being taken by Government to prevent the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) During the year 2008, 53 type 1 polio cases have been reported, out of which 45 are from Western Uttar Pradesh. The remaining 8 cases are reported in the state of Bihar-2, Delhi-2 and 1 case each from Orissa, West Bengal, Punjab and Assam.

(c) Reasons:

- Convergence of a number of risk factors that favors virus transmission and interfere with effectiveness of oral polio vaccine.
- Population immunity threshold needed to stop transmission and sustain cessation in some of the endemic districts is very high.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.